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Chapter 1: Starting out

I begin my Quest in the
fine bank of Skara Brae.

My Quest is to travel by
foot to the eight shrines
of Britannia. Although
this may sound easy, it
is hampered because I
have forsaken my abilities
and worldly possessions.

Instead, all that I have
to live by are a set of
plain clothes, a ship to
sail the seas and my
diary in which to record
my adventures. Onward
Ho towards the Shrine of
Spirituality!

Chapter 2: The Road to Spirituality

Since I have forsaken
magic as a form of
travel, I must find a way
to the mainland from this
island town. Fortunately,
I was able to barter a
ride from the ferryman.

Upon reaching the
mainland, I followed the
road until it turned
North, yet I must
continue Eastward. I
paused to listen to the
pleasant sounds of the
birds chirping and enjoyed
the peace away from the
busy life. Upon reaching
the Hedge Maze I recalled
a story about the mage
Relvinian in the days of
old and turned South to
go around it. Possessing
no weapons and having
forsaken my training, I
heeded the sign that said,
"Enter and Become One
Among Ghosts." The River

forced me to turn South
and then continue East.

Chapter 3: Spirituality

Spirituality is the leader
of the Virtues. It is the
meditation and
understanding of all other
Virtues. Without
Spirituality, one cannot
completely follow the
Virtues, for It is the
dedication and adherence
to them.

Chapter 4: Finding Honor

My next visit will be to
the Shrine of Honor,
which lies a fair distance
to the South. There is a
road to my East that I
will follow to the town
of Trinsic. I found a
warm room at the
Traveller's Inn, and woke
refreshed in the morning
to hear the sounds of
nature as I prepared to
continue my journeys. I
thanked the kind innkeeper
and headed out of Trinsic
and South. I conversed
briefly with one lucky
enough to own a house in
the beautiful country and
he bade me good fortune
on my travels. I used my
rusty blade to cut
through dense jungles
past ruins of a forgotten
realm, now inhabited only
by the Undead. Many a
mongbat did hamper my
journey, but finally I
arrived at the Shrine of
Honor.

Chapter 5: Honor

Many link Honor and
battle, but it can be
used with any aspect of
Life. Honor is to abide
by the rules, dishonor is
to cheat; to seek the
unfair advantage. I vowed
to always live life with
Honor.

Chapter 6: Seeking Valor

I must now embark on my
trusty small ship, the
Hollandia, to the South

and East, to a small
island where few have
travelled. I know not yet
what I will encounter at
sea, so I bid the Virtues
grant me safety. So
begins my voyage. I
managed to sail unnoticed
past some water
elementals which took a
fair bit of navigation
from my tillerman.
However, I arrived without
incident.

Chapter 7: Valor

The Shrine of Valor is
protected by many a
beast far too poisonous
and foul for myself to
vanquish. One must show
Valor to approach the
Shrine! Valor is often
shown in one's willingness
to fight what maybe a
losing battle upon which
he believes. It takes
Valor to stand your
ground against the many
murderers and lawbreakers
in our lands. You may
lose, but you show Valor
in that you fight that
which must be opposed.
Fight the fights you
believe in, not just the
fights you think you can
win.

Chapter 8: The Voyage to Humility

My journey will continue
to the East towards the
Shrine of Humility. I
launch my boat from the
West side of the Island
of Valor, where I made
my daring escape from
the many Giant Serpents
chasing me with their
poisonous venom and
hissing tongues. Beautiful
blue waves washed over
the bow of the boat as
dolphins played, merrily
leading me on. The voyage
is long and the water
turbulent but finally land
was struck. Quickly I ran,
eager to find my final

destination for the day.

Chapter 9: Humility

The Shrine of Humility is surprisingly spartan; it is merely a grove of stone pillars with an ankh and the Humility stone at its center. I would characterize Humility as this Quest; returning to my roots in this world. I have rejected my possessions and my wealth in order to rely only upon my cunning and instincts. No longer have I that which makes me Glorious to others, but I have only that which I need to survive. I may no longer rely upon myself, I must rely upon others for my survival. My journey to Humility has only made me realize even more how Blessed I have been.

Chapter 10: Onward to Honesty

Now the journey will turn South towards the Island of Ice. However, my voyages and excursions into the jungle have made me quite tired, so I will camp here beside a river near the Shrine of Humility for the night. I awake the next morning refreshed and invigorated, but also under attack! A Headless One has noticed my rise from slumber and attacks viciously. My trusty cleaver was in my hand instantly, but my lack of skill with the weapon delayed the death of the creature. I launched the Hollandia and set sail for the Island of Ice, seeking the Shrine of Honesty. As I sail the vast oceans, I find myself desiring the company of my fellow man. Hopefully I shall meet some kind of traveller with whom I may

exchange a few words.
Shortly I was landing my
boat on the North end of
the Island of Ice. I
quickly made my way
through snow across the
frigid tundra while trying
to keep warm. The Shrine
of Honesty bid me
welcome as I felth the
warmth radiate throughout
me.

Chapter 11: Honesty

Honesty is to uphold and
defend the truth at all
times. Furthermore,
Honesty requires us to
be fair and true to our
fellow man; not taking
undue advantage. Honesty
is a Virtue often lacking
in today's world. It seems
as though people are out
to gain wealth with no
regard to Honesty
towards other people.
Honesty is the foundation
upon which trust is built.
If the foundation
crumbles, everything built
upon it must fall. The
cold environment which
houses the Shrine of
Honesty is a testament
to its value in today's
society. The symbolic cold
and secluded location
shows us that only the
most dedicated to
pursuing Honesty will
achieve it. May we all be
Honest with our fellow
man and remember to
treat them how we would
like to be treated.

Chapter 12: The Path to Sacrifice.

I made my way to the
West side of the Island
of Ice. From there I
launch the Hollandia and
sail slightly to the North
and West. I land my boat
just East of the Shrine
of Sacrifice, so my road
is West. Although I enjoy
the sea, I am happy to
be back on the mainland

for the final three
Shrines.